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## RESPONSE/AMENDMENT UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 1.116

Sir:

In response to the final Office Action dated November 30, 2005, rejecting pending claims 1-57, in the above-mentioned application, please amend this application as follows:

The listing of claims begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 11 of this paper.